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many of those that we certainly don't want to clutter up the ballot, and as a result, many of these may not lose simply...or may not be passed, simply because people are so overwhelmed with the amount of amendments that are put up there. So for that reason, I'm going to support advancement of the bill and then we'll discuss what the future of it is at a later date. Thank you.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Vrtiska. Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Madam Chairman, members of the body. I rise in support of the advancement of this bill. I think there's some really good points that have been made here this morning, but I'd like to clarify a few things. First of all, Senator Chambers, regarding the other amendment, I think that the committee also felt that this was an issue that probably would bring about a lot of debate, and in the end would probably not pass. I think that the people in Nebraska are generally really reluctant to do away with any elective offices. They want elected officials who are accountable to them, and so I think that was also another part of the thinking on the part of the committee. I would agree with you that this amendment doesn't have wide ranging consequences. However, to me it seems like a rather common sense amendment in this day and age when we have fax machines and all the kinds of technology that allow people to communicate, we see more and more people being able to work out of their homes, being able to do long range communications. And not that I would anticipate that officials wouldn't be in their Lincoln offices, but it does provide some options for officials. I mean, I'm not sure it should be in the constitution...should have been in the constitution originally that officials live in Lincoln. But since it is, we have to address it through the constitution. So, my thinking on this is, this is probably...I could be wrong, this is probably going to be one of those slam dunk constitutional amendments that people will not see any harm in in passing. So, I guess what I would like to ask you, Senator Chambers, is if this is true and if this would be a fairly easy amendment for people to understand, if it's chances of success are pretty good, and I think they are, would they really hurt the other amendments on the ballot? Is what you're afraid of a lot of numbers? A lot of numbers.